Law Student Opportunities

Criminal Law Division Correctional Writs and Appeals Section Los Angeles



The Correctional Writs and Appeals section (CWA) of the Criminal Division in Los Angeles is accepting applications for law student internships for Spring and Summer of 2013.

CWA Deputies represent the Governor's office and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation in the state and federal courts against constitutional challenges raised in petitions for writ of habeas corpus. CWA Deputies also litigate petitions seeking extraordinary writ relief from our clients, including writs of mandate or writs of prohibition.

CWA law student interns conduct legal research, draft briefs and pleadings, and assist in the preparation for court hearings. Law student interns may attend oral arguments, tour state prisons, and observe state and federal court proceedings.

Law student interns certified through the State Bar Practical Training for Law Students Program may have the opportunity to appear in the Court of Appeal for oral argument.

Successful applicants demonstrate strong writing and oral advocacy skills and most often are second year law students who have completed courses in Constitutional Law, Evidence, and Criminal Law by the beginning of their internship.

- Applications for the Spring 2013 Program will be accepted until October 19, 2012.
- Applications for the Summer 2013 Program will be accepted until February 1, 2013.

How to Apply:

To apply, applicants should email a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and an unofficial transcript to:

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